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SUBJECT: GDR PRESS ON GENSCHER GERMAN UNITY STATEMENT

SUMMARY. EDITORIAL COMMENTARIES IN THE NOVEMBER 15-16  
EDITION OF NEUES DEUTSCHLAND (ND) PROVIDE AN EXAMPLE OF  
GDR USE OF THE NEW SOVIET-GDR FRIENDSHIP TREATY TO  
COUNTER FRG STATEMENT ON GERMAN UNITY. END SUMMARY.

1. A NOVEMBER 15 ND EDITORIAL CRITICAL OF REMARKS BY  
FRG FORMIN GENSCHER UNDERSCORING FRG INTEREST IN GERMAN  
REUNIFICATION APPEARS DIRECTLY BENEATH THE REPRINT OF  
A SOVIET TELEVISION COMMENTARY ON THE NEW SOVIET-GDR  
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TREATY. THE SOVIET COMMENTARY MAINTAINS THAT THE

TREATY THWARTS "THE PLANS AND INTENTIONS OF BOURGEOIS NATIONALIST CIRCLES AND OTHER REACTIONARY GROUPS WHO SEEK UNDER THE PRETEXT OF 'NATIONAL UNITY' TO HINDER THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC AND TO SEPARATE IT FROM THE COMMUNITY OF BROTHER LANDS". THE SOVIET COMMENTARY UNDERSCORES THE TREATY'S FUNCTION IN PROTECTING THE "SOCIALIST ACHIEVEMENTS" OF THE GDR AGAINST ALL ATTACKS.

2. THE ND EDITORIAL, TITLES "FOUL MAGIC", COMPLEMENTS RATHER THAN REPEATS THE SOVIET COMMENTARY THAT PRECEDES IT. IT POINTS OUT THAT GENSCHER'S REMARKS ON GERMAN UNITY IGNORE THE FACT THAT THE FRG'S INTEGRATION INTO THE WESTERN WORLD AND ITS ADHERENCE TO NATO STAND IN CONTRADICTION TO ALL "HOPES" FOR REATTAINING "HISTORICAL UNITY", AS GENSCHER HAD PUT IT. POINTING OUT THAT THE EXISTENCE OF THE GDR AS A SOVEREIGN STATE COULD NO LONGER BE AN OBJECT OF SPECULATION EITHER FOR BONN OR PEKING, THE ARTICLE CONCLUDES THAT GENSCHER'S STATEMENT SHOWS THAT, ALTHOUGH "RULING CIRCLES" IN THE FRG HAVE HAD TO ACCEPT PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE DUE TO THE NEW BALANCE OF POWER, THEY HAVE NOT GIVEN UP THEIR GOAL OF CHANGING THE SITUATION IN CENTRAL EUROPE "TO THE ADVANTAGE OF GERMAN IMPERIALISM".

3. COMMENT: THE GDR'S USE OF SOVIET COMMENTARY ON THE NEW SOVIET-GDR TREATY TO UNDERSCORE ITS OWN CRITICISM OF GENSCHER'S VIEWS ON GERMAN UNITY INDICATE THAT, LIKE THE CSCE PRINCIPLES OF NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND THE INVIOABILITY OF BOUNDARIES, THE TREATY WILL BE REPEATEDLY AND RITUALISTICALLY TRUCKED OUT IN THE FUTURE TO SUPPORT THE GDR'S CONTINUING POLICY OF SEPARATION FROM THE FRG. COOPER

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